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City of Milwaukee Health Department to Host Final Back-to-School Health Fair of 2014

14th annual health fairs to provide needed health services to Milwaukee children

MILWAUKEE – On Friday, Aug. 15, the City of Milwaukee Health Department will hold its second Back-to-School Health Fair of 2014 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bradley Tech High School (700 S. 4th St.).

Services at the health fair include school-required vaccinations, lead testing, vision and dental screenings. Free backpacks and school supplies will be provided to children with an up-to-date shot record or those who receive vaccinations and lead testing at the fair. Students must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to receive services and gifts.

School immunizations are required by state law in Wisconsin. While Milwaukee's compliance rate for school-required vaccinations is at an all-time high of 88 percent, the rate remains below the public health goal of 95 percent. Providing easy access to vaccinations continues to be important as vaccine-preventable illnesses like mumps, measles, and pertussis have seen a return nationwide.

The 2014 health fairs are presented by the City of Milwaukee Health Department and United Way of Greater Milwaukee in partnership with Children's Hospital of Wisconsin, Molina Healthcare, United Healthcare, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Children's Community Health Plan, Managed Health Services and Milwaukee Urban League.

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